

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4688
ANSWERED ON 21ST AUGUST, 2025**

NEW NH PROJECTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

4688. SHRI Y S AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any new National Highway (NH) projects are being planned for Andhra Pradesh in the upcoming fiscal year, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether there are any expansions or upgrades planned for existing highways to improve connectivity within Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there are plans to develop or expand industrial corridors, such as the Visakhapatnam–Chennai Industrial Corridor, to boost economic activity, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the steps being taken to improve road infrastructure in Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and industrial hubs across Andhra Pradesh;**
- (e) whether there are plans to incorporate green initiatives like solar-powered highways or tree-lined roads in upcoming projects in Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof;**
- (f) the manner in which the Government is planning to ensure environmental sustainability in road construction projects in Andhra Pradesh; and**
- (g) whether there are new proposals for constructing bridges or tunnels in critical areas like river crossings, hilly or mountainous regions or congested zones in Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) & (b) Development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process, and works are accordingly taken up from time to time after fulfilling technical requirements, traffic levels, connectivity needs, inter-se priority, and synergy with the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan (NMP). The Ministry has approved the Annual Plan 2025-26 with an outlay of ₹12,152 crore for 28 works covering 457 km in the State of Andhra Pradesh. In addition, 3 works covering 383 km at a cost of Rs.26,453 crore during 2025-26 have been planned by National Highways Authority of India.

(c) & (d) The development and expansion of industrial corridors is undertaken by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways provides connectivity to industrial nodes through NHs. Details of NH projects in progress or planned during 2025-26 near industrial corridors including the Visakhapatnam–Chennai Industrial Corridor in the State of Andhra Pradesh are given at Annexure.

(e) Yes, Sir. The Green Highways (Plantation, Transplantation, Beautification & Maintenance) Policy, 2015 applies to all National Highways across the country, including those in the State of Andhra Pradesh, with the objective of promoting the greening of NH corridors. Plantation along the Right of Way of NHs is carried out in accordance with this policy.

(f) Government in this Ministry has promoted the adoption of eco-friendly, green, and sustainable materials, as well as advanced construction practices and technologies, for road construction projects across the country, including in the State of Andhra Pradesh. A variety of such materials including fly ash, slag, construction and demolition waste, inert landfill material, waste plastic, crumb rubber modified bitumen, recycled pavement materials, geosynthetics (including jute and coir), bamboo crash barriers, bio-bitumen, bio-engineering measures for slope protection, and ground granulated blast furnace slag are being used in different NH projects, depending on their availability and feasibility.

(g) Bridges are generally constructed as part of NH development and upgradation projects. No major stand-alone bridge project and no tunnel project are planned during 2025-26 in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PARTS (c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4688 FOR ANSWER ON 21st AUGUST, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI Y S AVINASH REDDY REGARDING NEW NH PROJECTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH.

Details of NH projects which are in progress/planned during 2025-26 near industrial corridors in the State of Andhra Pradesh

Sl No.	Name of Corridor	Name of Project	Total Length (Km)	Total Project Cost (Rs.in Cr.)	Cumulative Physical Progress (in %)
1	Chennai Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (CBIC)	6-laning of Dedicated Port Road to Krishnapatnam Port from NH-16 at Ramadasu Kandrika (Pkg - 1)	18.975	341.36	73
		4-laning of Chilakaru Cross road to Turpu Kanupuru and 6-laning of Turpu Kanupuru to Port South Gate section of NH-516W (Pkg-2)	36.06	909.47	36
		4-laning of Thamminapatnam to Mollur section of NH-516W and 6 laning for extension of Dedicated port road on NH-67 (Pkg-3)	15.95	609.43	60
		6-laning of Naidupeta-Turpu Kanupuru section of NH-71 (Pkg-4)	34.881	1398.84	23
2	Vizag-Chennai Industrial Corridor	Kadapa to Rangampaeta cross section of NH-40 including provision of a spur from NH-40 to	At DPR stage		

	(VCIC)	Koppaathy Industrial Node	
3	Hyderabad-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (HBIC)	Kurnool-Kadapa section of NH-40 including provision of a spur connecting Orvakal node	At DPR stage
